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MISSOULA.....

Robin Selvig, a returning starter at guard for the University of Montana basketball team, will be sidelined for at least six weeks after undergoing a knee operation Friday morning.

A junior from Outlook, Mont., Selvig had been hampered throughout Montana's preseason practice drills and an exploratory surgical procedure on Friday revealed a split cartilage had been the cause of his difficulties. The cartilage was removed in Friday's procedure.

Montana coach Jud Heathcote, who considers Selvig a key figure in Montana's Big Sky title aspirations in the 1972-73 season, said, "An individual can often come back very quickly from this type of operation. We hope to have Robin back in six weeks, which is when conference play begins, but if he is not ready to go full speed and start for us when the conference season begins, we will redshirt him."

Heathcote also said that with Selvig sidelined he will move last year's sixth man Dale Parker to guard and start him alongside all-conference guard Mike Murray. Murray is a 5-11 senior and Parker is a 6-5 senior. Parker's move is necessitated by the fact that two Grizzly guard prospects, Kevin Rocheleau and Eric Hays, are ineligible until the end of fall quarter and that Heathcote does not believe in starting three sophomores.

Heathcote's starting lineup before the loss of Selvig included 6-7 senior Earl Tye and 6-6 sophomore Larry Smedley at the forward slots, 6-8½ sophomore Ken McKenzie at center, and Selvig and Murray as the guards.

Sophomore Tom Peck, a 5-11 Libby native, had earned the back up guard position, but will not start in Selvig's place because Heathcote feels he must have experience at the guard positions to complement his young, inexperienced front line.